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FOLLOWING REPEAT TOKYO 6519 ACTION SECSTATE INFO ERDA  
GERMANTOWN SEOUL IAEA BRUSSELS GENEVA PEKING CINCPAC DATED  
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QUOTE  
C O N F I D E N T I A L TOKYO 6519

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PAR ZKW TECH, JA  
SUBJ: STATUS OF NPT RATIFICATION BILL

USMISSION GENEVA FOR NPT REVCON

CINCPAC FOR POLAD

REF: TOKYO 5472

SUMMARY: NPT RATIFICATION BILL HAS BEEN SUBMITTED TO DIET,  
BUT COMMITTEE HEARINGS ON IT HAVE YET TO BEGIN WITH ONLY  
TEN DAYS REMAINING IN CURRENT SESSION. EVEN IF SESSION  
WERE EXTENDED A MONTH OR SO, GOJ WOULD PROBABLY HAVE TO  
OPT FOR HIGHER PRIORITY DOMESTIC LEGISLATION AND  
FOEGO ACTION ON NPT BILL UNTIL FALL. CONTINUING LACK OF  
LDP CONSENSUS IS EVIDENT FROM FACT THAT IN REPORTING  
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BILL OUT OF LDP, GOJ HAD TO AGREE TO FOUR CONDITIONS  
AND SIX DEMANDS PUT UP BY NPT OPPONENTS. PARTY HAS

YET TO FACE UP TO BASIC ISSUE CONCERNING INTRODUCTION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS. END SUMMARY.

1. NPT RAIFICATION BILL WAS FINALLY CLEARED BY LDP APRIL 25 AND SENT TO THE DIET. BILL WAS INTRODUCED IN PLENARY SESSION LOWER HOUSE ON MAY 6 AND SENT TO FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE. IT HAS YET TO HOLD FIRST HEARING ON BILL BECAUSE OF CURRENT DIET IMPASSE ON ANOTHER ISSUE.

2. LDP IS STILL FAR FROM UNITED ON NPT RATIFICATION. IN ORDER TO CLEAR THE BILL APRIL 25, EXECUTIVE BOARD HAD TO MOLLIFY LAST-DITCH OPPOSITION BY OBTAINING PM MIKI'S AGREEMENT TO FOUR CONDITIONS: (1) GOJ TO SEEK CONSENT OF LDP LEADERSHIP BEFORE TAKING FINAL ACTION ON THE BILL IN EITHER HOUSE OF DIET: (2) GOJ TO ADHERE TO THREE NON-NUCLEAR PRINCIPLES AS WELL AS TO MAINTAIN PRIOR CONSULTATION PROVISION OF SECURITY TREATY WITH REGARD INTRODUCTION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS: (3) CONDUCT STUDIES OF DEFENSE POLICIES WITHIN "BROADER" (E.E. PLITICAL AND ECONOMIC) CONTEXT AND PROMOTE PUBLIC ACCEPTANCE OF SUCH POLICIES: AND (4) MAKE "CONSTRUCTIVE" EFFORT TO FULFILL THE SIX DEMANDS (PRESENTED BY NPT OPONENTS TO LDP EXECUTIVE BOARD).

3. IN BRIEF, SIX DEMANDS CALL FOR: (1) GOJ EFFORTS TO EXPAND NPT ADHERENTS, PARTICULARLY CHINA, FRANCE, AND INDIA, AND PROMOTE CONTROL OF NUCLEAR FUEL SUPPLY TO PRECLUDE NEW NUCLEAR POWERS SUCH AS INDIA: (2) CLOSER US-GOJ RELATIONS REGARDING APPLICATION OF PRIOR CONSULTATION PROVISION ON INTRODUCTION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS: (3) ESTABLISHMENT OF A GOJ "STRUCTURE" TO MAKE THE US NUCLEAR DETERRENT EFFECTIVE AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A US-GOJ STANDING COMMITTEE OF MILITARY EXPERTS TO ENSURE CLOSER COORDINATION ON SECURITY MATTERS: (4) APPEAL TO ALL NUCLEAR POWERS, INCLUDING NPT NON-ADHERENTS, TO ENSURE SECURITY OF NON-NUCLEAR NATIONS: (5) PROMOTION OF DISARMAMENT AMONG NUCLEAR POWERS, INCLUDING NPT NON-ADHERENTS: AND (6) PROMOTION OF GOJ  
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"STRUCTURE" FOR DEVELOPING NUCLEAR ENERGY AND ENSURING STABLE SUPPLY OF NUCLEAR FUEL. (SEE EMBASSY "DAILY PRESS SUMMARY", APRIL 26-28, 1975, FOR FULL TEXT.)

4. COMMENT: AS REPORTED SEPTEL (NOTAL) ON CURRENT STATUS OF LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM, CHANCES OF HAVING NPT BILL ENACTED IN CURRENT SESSION HAVE BECOME INCREASINGLY REMOTE. THIS HAS BEEN DUE TO COMBINATION OF FACTORS: DIET IMPASSE WHICH HAS SET BACK LEGISLATIVE TIMETABLE ON ALL PRIORITY ITEMS, DECREASING INTEREST

IN GOJ BUUEAUCRCY, EVENTS IN SE ASIA WHICH HAVE  
STRENGTHENED HAND OF NPT OPPOSITION IN LDP, AND  
GROWING ALARM BY OPPOSITION PAARTIES DUE TO LDP  
INJECTION OF NUCLEAR-INTRODUCTION ISSUE IN NPT DEBATE.  
EVEN IF CURRENT SESSION ENDING MAY 25 WERE EXTENDED  
A MONTH OR SO, GOJ WOULD PROBABLY OPT FOR HIGHER  
PRIORITY DOMESTIC LEGISLTATION, SUCH AS ANTI-MONOPOLY  
BILL, IF MIKI IS TO RETRIEVE ANYTHING FROM HIS  
LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM NOW IN SHAMBLES. IIT APPEARS  
LIKELY THEREFORE THAT GOJ WOULD FOREGO NPT BILL  
UNTIL EXTRODINARY SESSION IN THE FALL.

5. LDP HAS YET TO FACE UP TO EXPLOSIVE ISSUE INJECTED  
BY NPT OPPONENTS IN NPT DEBATE--NEED FOR "FLEXIBILITY"  
IN APPLYING BAN AGAINST INRODUCTION OF NUCLEAR  
WEAPONS (REFTEL). IN ORDER TO BE ABLE TO REPORT THE  
BILL OUT OF LDP, THE PARTY CHOSE TO FINESSEE THE ISSUE  
THROUGH LANGUAGE IN SECOND OF FOUR CONDITIONS PARA 2).  
WHILE PARTY ALSO SUCCEDED IN DROPPING THE OPPONENTS'  
EXPLICIT DEMAND FOR "FLEXIBILITY" FROM THEIR ORIGINAL  
SIX DEMANDS (REFTEL), PARTY ALSO MOLLIFIED THEM BY  
PRESERVING THEIR INTENT THROUGH OBTUSE LANGUAGE IN  
SECOND AND THIRD DEMANDS (PARA 3). NUCLEAR INTRODUCTION  
ISSUE MAY YET BECOME THE STICKING POINT THAT MAY EVENTUALLY  
KILL NPT RATIFICATION, AS FULLY INTENDED BY LDP  
OPPONENTS OF THE BILL.

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